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## Pentagon Memorial competition programs now available

Baltimore – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has released the requirements and procedures for entering the first stage of the competition to select a Pentagon Memorial artistic concept. The competition program is now accessible on the competition web site, <a href="http://memorialcompetition.pentagon.mil/">http://memorialcompetition.pentagon.mil/</a>.

Potential entrants are encouraged to download the program. People who are unable to download it should call the competition's dedicated phone number, 1-866-782-4383. The number is toll free in the United States. A competition packet will be sent by mail.

The program includes: a message from the Family Steering Committee, a group that represents the victims' families; the deadline and address for delivery of entries; entry format and requirements; site plans, elevations and restrictions; competition rules and guidance; jury information; and Pentagon history and other background information.

"We are looking for an artistic vision for an exquisite memorial," said Carol Anderson-Austra, Pentagon Memorial project manager, "one that brings solace and satisfies the families and the nation."

The Congressionally authorized outdoor memorial will be located on the grounds of the Pentagon. The memorial will honor both the Pentagon and airline victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, attack.

The competition is open to everyone worldwide and has a deadline of Sept. 11, 2002. People may enter individually or in teams. The selection process will take place in two stages. Initially, all entries will be judged, and up to five semi-finalists will be chosen. These entrants will be asked to further develop their concepts and create models before a final selection is made.

A jury that will include respected professionals and at least one representative of the victims' families will judge the competition.

General information about the Pentagon Memorial project can be found at <a href="http://pentagonmemorial.nab.usace.army.mil/">http://pentagonmemorial.nab.usace.army.mil/</a>.